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SRI A. A. RASHEED : Sir, is the Hon. Minister aware that the tram lines have been removed two years back, but the roads have not yet been repaired? Will the Government consider the question of taking up the works themselves instead of leaving it to the Corporation or some other private parties?

THE HON. SRIMATHI LOURDHAMMAL SIMON : They have agreed to repair the roads. They have started the work just now. They are busy with the work. The work is expected to come to a close by the next year. Until such time we cannot take action.

SRI S. LAZAR : Sir, is there any instruction that the rails should be removed only during night time and not during day time?

THE HON. SRIMATHI LOURDHAMMAL SIMON : There is no such rule.

SRI A. GOVINDASAMY : தண்டவாளங்களைப் பெயர்த்தெடுத்த பிறகு ரஸ்தாவை மராமத்து செய்வதற்கு கார்ப்பொரேஷனுக்கு அரசாங்கம் நிதியுதவி அளித்திருக்கிறதா?

THE HON. SRIMATHI LOURDHAMMAL SIMON : இப்போது தண்டவாளங்களை அகற்றிக்கொண்டிருக்கிறார்கள். அகற்றிய இடங்களை மராமத்து செய்வதற்கு வேண்டிய நடவடிக்கை எடுக்கப் பட்டு வருகிறது.

Road accidents

* 170 *Q.*—SRI A. A. RASHEED : Will the Hon. the Minister for Electricity be pleased to state—

(*a*) the number of road accidents that took place in the City of Madras in 1958–59 and 1959–60; and

(*b*) the number of accidents that proved fatal?

THE HON. SRI V. RAMIAH : (*a*) Statistics of accidents are collected for each calendar year. The statistics for the years 1958, 1959 and 1960 are as follows :—

1958.	1959.	1960. (Up to 15th June 1960.)
4,272	4,196	1,924

(*b*)—

1958.	1959.	1960. (Up to 15th June 1960.)
57	53	25

SRI A. A. RASHEED : Sir, may I know the number of accidents that have been caused by the Government Transport buses?

(No reply.)

SRI K. VINAYAKAM : Sir, is it a fact that the accidents keep on rising from year to year because of the incessant experiments conducted by the Traffic Department in the main thorough fares like the China Bazaar Road and the Mount Road?

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THE HON, SRI V. RAMIAH : The figures furnished for 1958–59 give the certain impression that the accidents in 1959 are lower than those in 1958.

SRI A. A. RASHEED : Is it a fact that the accidents are mostly due to cyclists, motor cyclists and taxi drivers? If so, whether the Government have any details of such information?

THE HON. SRI V. RAMIAH : The hon. Member himself is giving information.

Panchayats in Bhavani taluk

* 171 *Q.*—SRI P. G. MANICKAM : கனம் முதல் அமைச்சர் அவர்கள் தயவுசெய்து கீழ்கண்ட கேள்விகளுக்கு பதிலளிப்பாரா—

(அ) கோயமுத்தூர் ஜில்லா பவானி தாலுக்காவிலே இன்னும் எத்தனை கிராமங்களில் பஞ்சாயத்துக்கள் ஏற்படுத்தப்பட வேண்டும்?

(ஆ) எப்பொழுது ஏற்படுத்தப்படும்?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM : (*a*) There are six villages in Bhavani taluk of the Coimbatore district for which panchayats have yet to be constituted.

(*b*) Before 1st October 1960.

Sub-way at Round Tana, Madras

* 172 *Q.*—SRI A. A. RASHEED : Will the Hon. the Minister for Electricity be pleased to state the present stage of construction of sub-way at Round Tana, Madras?

THE HON. SRI V. RAMIAH Revised proposals have been received after discussions between the Chief Engineer, Public Works Department and the Commissioner of the Corporation and these are under examination by Government.

SRI A. A. RASHEED : May I know, Sir, whether the Government or the Corporation will be in charge of the construction of this sub-way at Round Tana?

THE HON. SRI V. RAMIAH : These proposals are still under study and when the proposals are accepted, the agency will be fixed.

SRI A. A. RASHEED : Sir, will the Hon. Minister inform the House whether there is any proposal to erect an arcade in the sub-way?

THE HON. SRI V. RAMIAH : It is one of the items included in the present proposal.

SRI V. K. RAMASWAMY MUDALIYAR : In view of the urgency of the matter, may I know when the work is likely to materialize and when it is likely to be completed?

THE HON. SRI V. RAMIAH : The proposal has reached a particular stage, and I have a feeling that it would get through; but I do not know when it would be completed.